

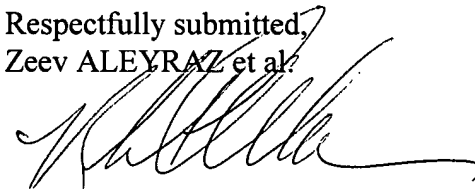
**REMARKS**

The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the foregoing amendment prior to examination of the above-identified patent application.

Applicant notes that the instant amendment has been prepared to address a change in the drawings, i.e., Figure 2 as originally presented has now been replaced with Figures 2A – 2D. Applicant notes that, as the amendment does not affect the scope of the claims, no estoppel should be deemed to attach.

Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below listed number.

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